The New Jersey Department of Education Division of Teaching and Learning

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Membership Application

New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) Council for Teaching and Learning

✓ Background and Overview

The Division of Teaching and Learning values input and feedback from all current educators. The Division views these partnerships as essential to the state's educational role and responsibility to New Jersey's students.

The NJDOE Division of Teaching and Learning invites applications for membership on the newly formed *Council for Teaching and Learning*. Members will work with professionals in the division and will advise on programs, delivery of professional learning and policy decisions.

Working with educators across the Division of Teaching and Learning, the thirty-member Council will serve a vital role as advisors representing educators throughout New Jersey.

✓ Membership and Operations

Membership on the Teaching and Learning Council offers an opportunity for a representative group of educators to serve in a significant advisory role at the NJDOE and work directly with the Division of Teaching and Learning to provide advice and bring forward issues from the field. An exciting addition to the advisory function of the Council for Teaching and Learning is to prepare and support members to serve as a Division "think tank" that will bring innovation from the field and creativity to the Division work.

This opportunity to advise the Division includes current education experts and specialists in diverse roles. Applicants might include content area teachers, leaders of English language learner support programs, gifted/enrichment educational program leaders, teachers who support special learners, library media specialists, school counselors, instructors within the arts, health and wellness, trade preparation programs, Principals, Vice Principals, Supervisors, and Directors. Members will be selected to meet the following criteria: area of expertise and experiences; grade levels; and regional representation.

✓ Sample Council Agenda Items

- Guided conversations about effective professional learning
- Elements of a cycle of effective teaching and learning
- · Effective protocols that contribute to successful professional learning
- · Investigation of the measurement of professional learning efficacy for all educators
- · Innovation and creativity for the development and delivery of professional learning
- · Potential initiatives and resources



Electronic applications are available on the Teaching and Learning Division's webpage at http://www.state.nj.us/education/educators/.

Potential applicants must:

- Complete and submit the last two pages of this application to the following email address. CouncilTeachingLearning@doe.state.nj.us.
- Write a letter of interest regarding participation on the Council for Teaching and Learning.
- Submit a résumé indicating both specific teaching skills and broad experiences that provide the knowledge and perspective necessary to effectively advise state level initiatives, programs and policy.
- Submit a signed assurance from your immediate supervisor and/or building principal. (The assurance is on the last page of this application.)

✓ Application Timelines and Meetings

- Submit the electronic application by May 2, 2016, at CouncilTeachingLearning@doe.state.nj.us.
- · Applications will be considered by a team of educators at the DOE.
- Thirty (30) educators will be selected to participate on the council.
 Applicants invited to participate will be notified no later than May 31, 2016.
- Members are expected to work with their district leaders to obtain local BOE approval if required.

✓ Council Meetings

- The first Council meeting will be held on June 27, 2016 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Members are expected to attend the full meeting.
- Council meetings will be on a quarterly basis: June 2016, October 2016, February 2017, and June 2017. Council members are expected to attend all four scheduled meetings.
- All Council meetings will be held at the NJDOE at 100 Riverview Drive, Trenton, NJ 08625.
- Appointments are for one year. Renewals will be considered.

Submit:

- Last two pages of this application
- 2. Letter of interest
- 3. Resume
- Statement of assurance from applicant, supervisor and/or principal

Application Process:

- 1. Application available at http://www.state.nj.us/e ducation/educators/
- 2. Submit by May 2, 2016
- Notifications sent to members, Supervisors, and/or Principals, and Superintendents

Council Meetings

June 27, 2016 9:00-3:00

October 17, 2016 9:00-3:00

February 27, 2017 9:00-3:00

June 30, 2017 9:00-3:00

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Applicant Information

Applicants must complete all sections of the application, attach a letter of interest, current resume, statement of assurance from the applicant and his or her Principal. Completed application packets and questions must be sent to the email address CouncilTeachingLearning@doe.state.nj.us no later than May 2, 2016. Name: **Current Position: School Name and Address: Email: District:** County: **Supervisor:** Email: Email: **Principal: Superintendent: Email:** Area(s) of expertise: (List all that apply.) Grade level experience: (Check all that apply.) PK ■ 2nd ■ 5th 8th ☐ 11th 12th Kindergarten 3rd 6th 9th 1st 4th 7th 10th **Higher Education** Where have you taught K-12? (Check all that apply.) □ Rural ☐ Charter County Vocational School ☐ Title I ☐ Urban ☐ Priority School ■ Renaissance ☐ CTE ■ Suburban ☐ Diploma Equivalency ■ Special Services ☐ Focus School ■ Non-public **Programs** Academy ■ Reward School Positions: (Check all that apply.) □ Teacher ☐ Child Study Team Member ■ Instructional Coach ■ School Counselor ☐ ELL Teacher / Bilingual Teacher ☐ Curriculum Supervisor ☐ Special Education Teacher ☐ Gifted/Enrichment Teacher ☐ Other - Please list Years of experience: ☐ 1-5 yrs. ☐ 6-10 yrs. ☐ 11-15 yrs. ☐ 16-20 yrs. □ 21-29 yrs. \square 30 + yrs. List any professional association and organization memberships (local, state, national): Association/Organization Office held or member Major Accomplishments Years of Service

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✓ Statement of Assurance:

Prior to consideration of this application this Statement of Assurance must be signed by the applicant, immediate supervisor and/or Principal.

Applicant:

I have read this application in full and understand the intent of the Council for Teaching and Learning as listed in this document. If selected, I agree to attend and participate in all Council meetings. I have the qualifications necessary for serving on a state education advisory board. I have explained to my Supervisor and/or Principal my desire to participate and my commitment to the highest standards of excellence as I perform my membership duties.

I understand that I will not be reimbursed for my participation or expertise on the New Jersey Department of Education's Teaching and Learning Council.

Name	Date

Immediate Supervisor (if applicable):

The individual submitting this application has discussed with me the opportunities and requirements of membership on the NJDOE Council for Teaching and Learning. I support his/her full participation and will provide administrative assistance as per district requirements for those serving on boards and councils outside of the district

	Name	Date
Title:		

Principal:

The individual submitting this application has discussed with me the opportunities and requirements of membership on the NJDOE Council for Teaching and Learning. I support his/her full participation and will provide administrative assistance as per district requirements for those serving on boards and councils outside of the district (e.g., substitute teacher, endorsement to the Superintendent, etc.)

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